



Lookout



Southside Cellular On Patrol Newsletter

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2004

It's RODEO TIME!!!

Dust them hats off and shine them boots, it's time to kick up your heels at the San Antonio Stock Show and Rodeo.
Yeeehaaaaaaa!!!



Citizen Police Academy

Below are the dates for this year's CPA classes held at the Academy. If you've never been through the class it's well worth the time and effort. If you or someone you know might be interested please call me at 207-6085 and I will get you the application and the contact person at the Academy so you can get in the next class. You may also submit your application On-Line, at <http://www.sanantonio.gov/sapd/CPAonlineAPP.asp>

2004-B

March 30, 2004 to June 8, 2004

2004-C

June 22, 2004 to August 31, 2004

2004-D

September 14, 2004 to November 23, 2004

COP Regular Class

We graduated another class on January 27th, 2004. There were 47 who graduated and 21 of those were added to the COP groups on the SOUTHSIDE. 16 groups had at least one new Volunteer added. If you would like a list of all the COP graduates in your area call me at 207-6085 and it will be delivered to your door. Below are the groups who had volunteers added...

3- Lago Vista & Palm Heights 2- South San 1- Columbia Heights, Mission San Jose, Gillette, Vestal Heights, Owasso St., Riverside South, Harlandale North, South San, Southridge Park, Bellaire, St. Clair, Barlite, & Kingsborough Ridge

Refresher Class

Our next refresher class is coming up on February 18th, 2004. This will be a Wednesday evening and will run from 6:00 pm until 10:00 pm. If you did not attend a refresher class in 2003 then you are eligible to attend. There will be a few new blocks of instruction and we will have refreshments for the break. Don't forget, you get another ride-a-long. There will be a call out about a week before the class. Hope to see you there.

OOPS!!!

There was a mistake in last month's issue of the LOOKOUT – The e-mail address for Officer Hope Ytuarte, SAFFE officer for districts 6140 & 6160 was wrong. Her e-mail address is:

eyturate@sanantonio.gov

COP Class date change

Yes, another COP class date change...the next Regular COP class will be held on Wednesday, April 7th & Wednesday, April 14th instead of the 8th & 15th. We have a General Meeting on Thursday, April 15th so write it down on your calendars.

Public Safety Team

There will soon be another V.I.P. orientation on Saturday, March 6th, 2004 from 9:00 am – 5:00 pm at the main headquarters located at 214 W. Nueva. It will be downstairs in the old roll traffic roll call room. Anyone interested in the upcoming South Public Safety Team will need to fill out a V.I.P. application and attend the V.I.P. orientation class on March 6th. There are also many other duties for Volunteers from the V.I.P. program such as COBRA-T, Warrant Drive Enforcer, substation work, unit work, filing, data entry, and a whole list of other opportunities. If you have any questions please call me at 207-6085 or you can call Officer Lisa Castillo (VIP Coordinator) @ 207-8927.

Home Safety Emergency Plan

I have a few Prep-Guides at the office that you are more than welcome to come and get. These guides include information on First Aid, What to do after an Emergency, Tornadoes,

Hurricanes, Chemical & Biological Attacks, Utility Instructions, Home Safety Checklist, and Emergency Supply Checklist. These guides are very informative and tell you exactly what you need to do in case of Emergency. They are free for the taking; I have about 25 – first come first served

Numbers To Live By

Listed below are the crime stats as of Jan. 15, 2004. As you can see we are much improved in most crimes except Burglary of Vehicle. I will try to post these numbers each month so you can keep track of our progress.

BURGLARY HABITATION

	Last 90 Days	2003 YTD	2004 YTD	% Change
Southside	309	53	35	-34%
Citywide	2530	423	279	-34%

BURGLARY BUILDING

	Last 90 Days	2003 YTD	2004 YTD	% Change
Southside	182	25	11	-56%
Citywide	1235	192	126	-34%

BURGLARY VEHICLE

	Last 90 Days	2003 YTD	2004 YTD	% Change
Southside	603	84	91	8%
Citywide	5525	944	747	-21%

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	Last 90 Days	2003 YTD	2004 YTD	% Change
Southside	181	37	20	-46%
Citywide	1410	232	135	-42%

Upcoming Sweeps

Listed below are the upcoming city sweeps – you r SAFFE officers will be out in force in and around these sweep areas during these dates. Watch your door for upcoming flyers on meetings, etc.

Adams Elementary School area – May 10th – 21st
 McCollum II area – June 7th – 18th
 South San area – July 19th – 30th

This was e-mailed to me by a COP volunteer...

A Real Job Status

Some people still don't understand why military personnel do what they do for a living. This exchange Between Senators John Glenn and Sen. Howard Metzenbaum is worth reading. Not only is it a pretty impressive and impromptu speech, but it's also a good example of one man's explanation of why men and women in the Armed Services do what they do for a living. This IS a typical, though sad, example of what some who have never served think of the Military.

Senator Metzenbaum to Senator Glenn: "How can you run for Senate when you've never held a "real job?"

Glenn: "I served 23 years in the United States Marine Corps. I was through two wars. I flew 149 missions. My plane was hit by anti-aircraft fire on 12 different occasions.

"I was in the space program. It wasn't my checkbook; it was my life that was on the line. This was not a 9-to-5 job where I took time off to take the daily cash receipts to the bank.

"I ask you to go with me, as I went the other day to a Veterans Hospital, and look those men with their mangled bodies in the eye and tell them they didn't hold a job.

"You go with me to any Gold Star mother, and you look her in the eye and tell her that her son did not hold a job.

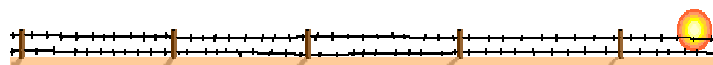
"You go with me to the space program, and you go as I have gone to the widows and the orphans of Ed White and Gus Grissom and Roger Chaffee, and you look those kids in the eye and tell them that their dad didn't hold a job.

"You go with me on Memorial Day coming up, and you stand on Arlington National Cemetery -- where I have more friends than I like to remember -- and you watch those waving flags, and you stand there, and you think about this nation, and you tell me that those people didn't have a job.

"I tell you, Howard Metzenbaum, you should be on your knees every day of your life thanking God that there were some men -- SOME MEN -- who held a job. And they required a dedication to purpose and a love of country and a dedication to duty that was more important than life itself." And their self-sacrifice is what has made this country possible. "I HAVE HELD A JOB, HOWARD!"

During WWII, Howard Metzenbaum was an alleged attorney representing the Communist Party in the USA. Now he is a Senator.

'til next month...happy trails – Stay saffe !



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